ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, Richmond, September 23, 1862.

GENERAL ORDERS, }

I. Non-commissioned Officers and Privates receiving an honorable discharge, shall be entitled to transportation home, on the certificate of the commandant of their company; or in case they cannot communicate with him, on their own affidavits that they went from their homes to the place of enlistment for the purpose of enlistment.

II. Applications for leaves of absence, furloughs, discharges and transfers, from persons in and about Richmond, who from sickness or other cause cannot communicate with their immediate commanding officers, will be made to Major General *G. W. Smith*, and will not be considered by the Department, except on an appeal from his decision. He will prescribe the mode of examination in cases of alleged physical disability, and will submit to the Department applications for transfers to or from troops not under his command.

III. Commanding Officers are directed, and will be required to examine promptly the returns of their Commissaries, whether the issues were made by direction of their predecessors in command, or under their own direction.

IV. Applicants for the rank of Captain of Artillery in the Ordnance Department, in addition to the subjects mentioned in paragraph I, General Orders No. 63, current series, will be examined upon the Elements of Algebra, Plane Trigonometry, Mechanics, and Chemistry as applicable to Projectiles and Ordnance.

By order.

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S. COOPER, Adjutant and Inspector General.